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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of)

Wilhelm REITER et al.)

Application No.: 09/873,373)

Filed: June 5, 2001)

For: METHOD FOR COOLING A GAS)
TURBINE SYSTEM AND A GAS)
TURBINE SYSTEM FOR)
PERFORMING THIS METHOD)

Group Art Unit: 3746

Examiner: T. Kim

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AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.

☒ A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.

☐ A Terminal Disclaimer and a check for ☐ \$55.00 (2814) ☐ \$110.00 (1814) to cover the requisite Government fee are also enclosed.

☐ Also enclosed is _____

☐ Small entity status is hereby claimed.

☐ Applicant(s) request continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the ☐ \$370.00 (2801) ☐ \$740.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).

☐ Applicant(s) previously submitted ___, on ___, for which continued examination is requested.

☐ Applicant(s) request suspension of action by the Office until at least ___, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.

☐ A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (146/246) is also enclosed.

☐ No additional claim fee is required.

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AMENDED CLAIMS					
	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST NO. OF CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	ADDT'L FEE
Total Claims	33	MINUS 22 =	11	× \$18.00 (1202) =	198.00
Independent Claims	6	MINUS 3 =	3	× \$84.00 (1201) =	252.00
If Amendment adds multiple dependent claims, add \$280.00 (1203)					280.00
Total Amendment Fee					730.00
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Amendment Fee					
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$730.00

☒ A claim fee in the amount of \$ 730.00 is enclosed.

☐ Charge \$_____ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 21, 2002, the period for response thereto having been extended to November 21, 2002 by the attached petition and fee for a three-month extension of time, please amend the above-captioned patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please note that the following amendments are made in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121 as amended by the Notice published at 65 Fed. Reg. 54604, 54672 (September 8, 2000). Marked-up copies of the amended claims are attached.

Kindly cancel Claims 1, 8, 14 and 18-20, without prejudice or disclaimer.

Kindly amend Claims 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10-12, 15-17, 21 and 22, as follows:

- E** 2. (Amended) Method as claimed in Claim 24, wherein the thermally loaded components include the walls of the combustor and/or walls of the transition pieces and/or housing parts of the turbine and/or rotor parts of the turbine and/or blades of the turbine.

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